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Chairman Tom Wheeler
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Education doesn't begin when the late bell rings for any of Independence School District's 14,000 students. Educating our children doesn't end when a school bus drops our last child off to their home. Education is a 24-7, 365-day-a-year project that lives in schools, homes, and our communities. In the 21st century, high-speed internet access is the best way to connect to the world beyond one's own community. As the Public Relations and Communication Director of the Independence School District, I urge you to approve the Comcast-Time Warner transaction to help make top-caliber, Digital Age education available to all of our children, at school and in the home.

In Independence, Missouri, we benefit from Comcast coverage and infrastructure. We also benefit from Comcast's Internet Essentials program, an initiative that provides low-cost Internet connection and computers to families that qualify for the National School Lunch Program. Our round-the-clock effort to educate children is often stalled by a very real Digital Divide - the disparity in Net access between rich and poor. The Internet Essentials program provides affordable, convenient, and speedy service to those who need it most.

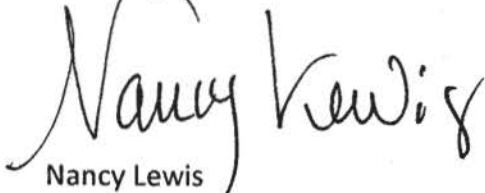
Approval of the proposed union between Comcast and Time Warner will enable the expansion of this program. We have already seen the benefits in our school district. We know that other communities, like Kansas City right next door, stand to benefit as well.

Comcast also empowers our students through considerate and committed corporate citizenship. The company consistently sponsors events like our district's annual Hispanic Community Connection Night, which connects our Hispanic students to the Web. That presence isn't unique to Independence.

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Last year, Comcast gave over \$170,000 in community investments throughout Missouri. Our children have been connected to a wealth of opportunity throughout Comcast's service to the Independence area. Children throughout the United States deserve the same access. Please help educators build stronger communities and further close the Digital Divide by approving this transaction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nancy" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Lewis".

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